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# DAHLIAS PEONIES AND IRIS



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*Village Dahlia Gardens*

SAYLESVILLE, RHODE ISLAND.

# EACH IN HIS OWN TONGUE

By William Henry Carruth

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A fire-mist and a planet,  
A crystal and a cell,  
A jelly-fish and a saurian,  
And caves where the cave-men dwell;  
Then a sense of law and beauty  
And a face turned from the clod—  
Some call it evolution,  
And others call it God.

A haze on the far horizon,  
The infinite, tender sky,  
The ripe rich tint of the corn fields,  
And the wild geese sailing high—  
And all over upland and lowland  
The charm of the golden-rod—  
Some of us call it autumn  
And others call it God.

Like tides on a crescent sea-beach,  
When the moon is new and thin,  
Into our hearts high yearnings  
Come welling and surging in—  
Come from the mystic ocean,  
Whose rim no foot has trod,—  
Some of us call it longing,  
And others call it God.

A picket frozen on duty,  
A mother starved for her brood,  
Socrates drinking the hemlock  
And Jesus on the rood;  
And millions who, humble and nameless,  
The straight, hard pathway plod.—  
Some call it consecration,  
And others call it God.

# GREETINGS

To our customers and to every human being who takes pleasure in planting:

It is with pleasure we present our garden roll in an entirely new frock. Some of the older varieties have been dropped and some of the newer ones have been added.

Our first dahlia tubers were presented to us by a flower-loving minister friend. They were grown in our village back yard. Aside from giving us much pleasure they suppl'd many beautiful bouquets for our village neighbors. Each year as our stock of tubers increased they were gladly contributed to the growing stock of friends and neighbors.

All gardens have their limits of capacity; so had theirs. But the stock of tubers kept on increasing. So we conceived the idea of listing our stock for the market. We have enjoyed the work and feel that we have made many garden friends.

We believe that a satisfied customer is our best advertisement and we aim to do our best to please. We express to you our deepest appreciation of your patronage—both past and future.

We thank you!

## HINTS ON ORDERING

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ORDER EARLY to prevent disappointment. The stock of varieties is often limited and the cheaper varieties are in great demand.

SUBSTITUTION—No changes or substitutions are made in any order unless requested to do so.

PRICES quoted are for field grown divided tubers.

FORWARDING—Tubers shipped at planting time unless otherwise requested.

TERMS—Cash with order or in advance of shipment. All retail orders delivered postpaid.

GUARANTEE—We guarantee all tubers to be true to name. All prices and quotations are subject to stock being unsold.

CULTURE—Planting and growing instructions will be enclosed with each order.

ADDRESS—Write name and address plainly, give street number or P. O. Box.

This list cancels all previous prices.

# DAHLIAS

## GENERAL LIST ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED

<b>AMUN RA (Decorative)</b>	\$1.50
An immense dahlia, of deep rich shades of copper and orange shading to gold and amber. Held aloft on strong stiff stems.	
<b>BALLET GIRL (Cactus)</b>	\$1.50
Each blossom is a fresh surprise. Many of the flowers are orange with white tip, some are all orange and some white tipped orange. This is a great favorite.	
<b>BILLIE BURKE (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	\$1.00
Large blooms of pale lemon, tips and reverse pale lavender. Petals are long and gracefully twisted. The stems are long, making it desirable as a cut flower.	
<b>CALIFORNIA ENCHANTRESS (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	\$1.00
The flowers are large, of a delightful shade of rose pink with blending of white. Its abundant blooms are borne on erect stems which make it a very desirable dahlia.	
<b>CARDINAL MERCIER (Peony)</b>	\$1.00
Deep flesh pink with light veins of canary running up from the base of the petals in the center. The curly formation of the petals is unique.	
<b>CATHERINE WILCOX (Decorative)</b>	\$1.50
White. Point of petals tipped carmine.	
<b>CHAMPAGNE (Decorative)</b>	\$3.50
Immense flowers on very stiff stems. Color a beautiful shade of dull gold with chamois shadings. Free bloomer. Good for all purposes.	
<b>DAKOTA (Decorative)</b>	\$1.00
Some growers describe this flower as bronzy orange and some as tango red. However, it is a massive flower held very erect on strong stiff stems. A free bloomer and good for all purposes.	
<b>DELICE (Decorative)</b>	\$ .50
The brightest pink decorative in existence, and one of the very best for florist's purposes. Excellent keeping qualities.	
<b>D. M. MOORE (Hybrid Show)</b>	\$ .50
A very large, rich, deep maroon, almost black. Low sturdy bush. Free flowering.	
<b>DR. TEVIS (Decorative)</b>	\$ .75
Enormous flowers held erect on long sturdy stems. Salmon rose, suffused with gold shadings, apricot center. Very free blooming.	
<b>EARL WILLIAMS (Decorative)</b>	\$1.50
Huge blooms held proudly erect on long stiff stems. Brilliant crimson with white distributed through each petal. A very beautiful dahlia.	
<b>FRANK A. WALKER (Decorative)</b>	\$ .25
One of the earliest in bloom. Flowers about the same size as "Delice." A beautiful shade of lavender-pink. Very good for florist's use. Earlier than Delice.	

## DAHLIAS [Continued]

<b>GEISHA (Peony)</b>	\$1.00
A well known variety. A very striking yellow and red. Free bloomer. Good stems.	
<b>GENERAL APPLETON (Hybrid Decorative)</b>	\$1.00
Clear yellow.	
<b>GENERAL MILES (Show)</b>	\$1.00
One of the largest of this type. Color light violet or lavender pink, heavily striped with purple magenta.	
<b>GEORGE WALTERS (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	\$1.00
One of the largest and finest dahlias on the market. Color salmon rose shaded silvery pink. A wonderful exhibition dahlia.	
<b>GLADYS SHERWOOD (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	\$1.00
Very large, creamy white. Full and deep to the center. Long, wide satiny petals. One of the finest for garden or exhibition.	
<b>GLORY OF NEW HAVEN (Decorative)</b>	\$ .75
One of the most beautiful dahlias grown. An exquisite shade of pink mauve or silvery lilac. Long stiff stems. Beautiful cut flower.	
<b>HAMPTON COURT (Peony)</b>	\$ .25
One of the best for cut flowers. Extra long stiff stems. Color bright mauve pink.	
<b>HARRY DAVIDSON (Decorative)</b>	\$ .50
Rich mulberry, tipped gold, shading golden yellow at the center.	
<b>HORTULANUS FIET (Decorative)</b>	\$1.00
A Holland variety. One of the most beautiful dahlias grown. The color is shrimp pink with an overlay of gold that glistens in the sunlight. Giant flowers borne erect on long stiff stems.	
<b>INSULINDE (Decorative)</b>	\$1.00
Very beautiful. Broad curling petals of old gold and bronze. A Holland variety. Fine for cutting.	
<b>JERSEY'S BEAUTY (Decorative)</b>	\$4.00
One of the largest and finest pure pink decorative dahlias in existence. Tips of the petals are sometimes pointed with gold. One of the best for cutting and for exhibition purposes.	
<b>JESSIE L. SEAL (Peony)</b>	\$ .75
A magnificent old rose with golden shadings. The blooms are held above the foliage on long stiff stems. It is excellent for cut flowers and for an exhibition variety.	
<b>JUDGE ALTON B. PARKER (Decorative)</b>	\$2.50
Very large flowers, on strong stems. Color golden buff.	
<b>JUDGE MAREAN (Decorative)</b>	\$1.50
The color of this dahlia is hard to describe. A glowing salmon pink with a touch of watermelon red blending to iridescent orange, yellow and gold. Profuse bloomer.	
<b>KALIF (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	\$2.00
Pure deep scarlet with long pointed petals. Long, strong stems.	

## DAHLIAS [Continued]

<b>KITTY DUNLAP (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
A delightful shade of American Beauty. Blossoms are freely produced on long stems practically without leaves. Petals broad with a slight tendency to roll. Fine for both exhibition and commercial purposes.	
<b>LADY HELEN (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>
One of the best. A deep shade of pink with slight veins of white and cream. Very large flower on strong stiff stems.	
<b>LOUISE SLOCOMBE (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
Amaranth-pink.	
<b>MABLE THATCHER (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.50</b>
This is a Marean origination. The color is a soft pale yellow. A profuse bloomer. Fine exhibition dahlia.	
<b>MAID OF THE MIST (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
This magnificent dahlia is a prize winner. The flowers are of a wonderful deep cream color shading to a salmon pink. The outer petals are rolled back to a depth of four to five inches. Petals pointed and twisted.	
<b>MARGARET E. MILLIS (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
A most profuse bloomer. The color is a beautiful amaranth pink, splashed with pink. The petals are inclined to twist. A bouquet of this flower is a glory to behold.	
<b>MARY C. BURNS (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
Large bloom of beautiful two-toned coloring. The outside of the petals are of old gold, the reverse dull red. The stems are long and stiff and it keeps well when cut.	
<b>MAUDE ADAMS (Show)</b>	<b>\$ .25</b>
One of the very best shows. The blooms are white with a delicate tinge of pink.	
<b>MEPHISTOPHELES (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
The massive flowers are borne on the top of very stiff stems. Color a vivid scarlet. Petals tipped with a small point of yellow.	
<b>MILLIONAIRE (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
A giant lavender passing to white at the center. One of the largest dahlias grown. Very popular.	
<b>MRS. CARL SALBACH (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
An immense bloom of a lovely mauve pink, shading lighter to the center. Every petal outlined in deep mauve. The stems are long and strong. A most valuable exhibition and cut flower variety.	
<b>MRS. ESTELLE LAWTON LINDSEY (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.50</b>
The well known colors of the Geisha, scarlet and gold. The blooms vary in arrangement of color, some having much more red than others.	
<b>MRS. ETHEL F. T. SMITH (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
Creamy white shading to lemon yellow at the center. Gigantic blooms freely produced on long stems.	

## DAHLIAS [Continued]

<b>MRS. I. DE VER WARNER (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
One of the very best dahlias. A soft, delicate mauve pink in color. Very large flowers borne on long strong stems. Splendid for exhibition and for garden.	
<b>MRS. JOHN SCHEEPERS (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
Upon opening the flowers are clear, canary yellow, which gradually changes to a beautiful delicate shade of pink suffusion on the outer petals.	
<b>MRS. LILY P. HATHAWAY (Hybrid Show)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
A rare and beautiful shade of orange. Very large. Stems long and stiff.	
<b>MRS. MARGARET STREDWICK (Cactus)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
An English variety. Color a soft, deep pink. Very large and incurved.	
<b>N C 4 (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.50</b>
Blossoms red, white and yellow carried on strong stems. The petals are very much twisted. Very large.	
<b>NOIR ALVAREZ (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$.50</b>
Very rich, deep, velvety ox-blood red. Very vigorous grower. Excellent for cut flowers.	
<b>PATRICK O'MARA (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
The flowers are large, borne on long, strong, erect stems and produced in profusion. Color a soft and pleasing shade of orange buff, slightly tinged with rose.	
<b>PAUL MICHAEL (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
An immense flower of bright apricot and bronze shadings. Has three times been awarded the prize for the largest dahlia in California shows. An ideal exhibition dahlia but should be shaded a week before showing.	
<b>PIERROT (Cactus)</b>	<b>\$.75</b>
Lovely deep amber, usually tipped with white. If disbudded the flowers can be grown very large.	
<b>PINK LADY (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.25</b>
One of the best pink dahl'as. The outer petals are rose pink passing gradually to white at the center. An abundant bloomer.	
<b>PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$.50</b>
The best medium red decorative on the market. Blooms held erect above the foliage on long stiff stems. Has good keeping qualities and is a profuse bloomer.	
<b>PRINCESS PAT (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$.75</b>
A glorious shade of old rose, deepening at the center. Sometimes splashed with red. Exceptionally beautiful under artificial light. Immense blooms which grow well above the foliage on strong, stiff stems.	
<b>PURPLE MANITOU (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$.25</b>
Color a rich, royal purple.	
<b>RENE CAYEUX (Cactus)</b>	<b>\$.50</b>
Imported from France. A great favorite. In color a clear, rich, glowing crimson and is literally covered with flowers the entire season. Plants are dwarf and compact, making it good for hedge or group planting. Excellent for cut flowers.	

## DAHLIAS [Continued]

<b>ROSA NELL (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.50</b>
A rare shade of clear, bright rose. Attracts immediate attention wherever seen. Is held high above a strong, vigorous plant on extra long, stiff stems. A good keeper and fine for exhibition.	
<b>SEQUOIA GIGANTEA (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
A gigantic California production. Color buttercup yellow with a suggestion of red. Produced on long stems as stiff as cane.	
<b>SNOWDRIFT (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.25</b>
Color, pure white. Remarkably fine large white flower. The plant is low and the flowers grow well above the foliage.	
<b>SULPHUREA (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
Color, clear sulphur yellow. The long petals roll inward and resemble a chrysanthemum. One of the earliest bloomers and flowers continuously throughout the season.	
<b>THE BASHFUL GIANT (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
A remarkable flower of gigantic size and unusual formation. Color an exquisite shade of apricot with buff and golden tints. Under ordinary conditions will grow six to eight inches in diameter and can be forced to grow much larger.	
<b>THE EAGLE (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	<b>\$ .50</b>
Large broad petaled with full center. A creamy yellow. Free bloomer.	
<b>THE EMPEROR (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
A maroon dahlia of the finest type. Petals are long and flat. The enormous flower is borne on long, stiff stems. An exhibition variety.	
<b>THE GRIZZLY (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
The richest, deep, velvety maroon decorative yet produced. A wonderful prize winning dahlia. Flowers of immense size on extra stout stems.	
<b>THE PRESIDENT (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
Very large deep red blooms, tipped white. Flowers freely on good stems. Excellent for cut flowers and a fine exhibition variety.	
<b>TOM LUNDY (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
The immense flowers are a rich, dark, velvety crimson and have long stems. This dahlia does exceptionally well in a warm climate.	
<b>U. S. A. (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
One of the most beautiful of its class. Petals very long and curling, and twisting gracefully over the center. Color a beautiful rich, deep orange. An early, continuous and abundant bloomer.	
<b>VIOLETTA (Hybrid Cactus)</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
Large blooms of a petunia violet color. Produced on long, stout stems. A very choice variety and one greatly admired.	
<b>WILLIAM H. SLOCOMBE (Decorative)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
One of the largest and best pale yellow decoratives. Recommended as one of the best for exhibition and garden purposes.	

## DAHLIAS [Continued]

### OUR OWN INTRODUCTIONS

**DR. HUEY (Decorative)** \$1.50  
This is a large decorative similar to Judge Marean. Center deep and full. Color, bronze shading to salmon.

**LESLIE CLARKE (Decorative)** \$1.50  
Very large with deep full center. Color, deep rose pink shading to silvery pink. Colors are hard to describe. This dahlia was first exhibited at a local show this year and won first prize.

**ROBIN HOOD (Peony)** \$.75  
This dahlia's name was suggested by its jaunty appearance. The colors—a bright red and white—seem to throw out a challenge to the whole world. Size medium with petals curled in a very attractive manner. Took first prize when exhibited at a local dahlia show last year for the first time.

### OUR INTRODUCTION FOR 1927

**E. M. CLARKE (Decorative)** \$2.50  
This is a very beautiful dahlia. The center is full and deep. Color shading from apricot to a delicate shade of pink. A pleasing combination. We feel sure this dahlia should have a great future.

## PEONIES

The peonies listed are for shipment during September, October and November. Let us book your order now. These will be good strong divisions with at least two well developed eyes.

**ADOLPHE ROSSEAU** \$2.00  
Large semi-double; early midseason. Very dark velvety red with garnet hues. Tall stiff stems. One of the very best for landscape effects.

**ALBERT CROUSSE** \$1.50  
Bomb type; late. Delicate sea shell pink.

**AVALANCHE** \$1.00  
Crown type; late midseason. Pure snow white with delicate pencilings of carmine on the edge of the center petals. Fragrant.

**BARONESS SCHROEDER** \$1.50  
Rose type; late. Flesh white. Fragrant.

**CLAIRE DUBOIS** \$1.00  
Rose type; late midseason. Very large. Rich, clear satiny pink with clear silvery sheen.

**EDULIS SUPERBA** \$.60  
Crown type; very early. Blooms in time for Decoration Day. Bright, clear mauve pink with a silvery reflex. Fragrant.

**FELIX CROUSSE** \$1.00  
Rose type; late midseason. Full rich, even shade of red. None better.

**FESTIVA MAXIMA** \$1.00  
Rose type; early. Pure white, clear carmine spots on the edge of center petals.

## PEONIES [Continued]

<b>GRANDIFLORA</b>	<b>\$1.50</b>
Rose type; very late. Beautiful light pink. Faintly fragrant.	
<b>GROVER CLEVELAND</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>
Rose type; late. Large, full dark crimson blooms.	
<b>JUBILEE</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
Rose type; midseason. Snow white with an occasional pink glow on the outer petals. One of the finest varieties for show or cutting.	
<b>KARL ROSENFELD</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>
Semi-rose type; midseason. Usually considered the best red peony.	
<b>LAMARTINE</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
Rose type; midseason. Large rosy carmine, bordered silvery white. Extra good.	
<b>MONS. JULES ELIE</b>	<b>\$1.50</b>
Bomb type; early midseason. Immense glossy lilac-pink shading to deeper rose at the base. Claimed by many to be the largest of all peonies.	
<b>PHILIPPE RIVOIRE</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>
Rose type; early. Very dark, uniform amaranth red. Very fragrant.	
<b>PHYLLIS KELWAY</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
Rose type; midseason. Lavender flesh color passing to white in the center.	
<b>RUBRA SUPERBA</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>
Rose type; very late. Rich, brilliant crimson. Highly fragrant and a good keeper.	
<b>SARAH BERNHARDT</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>
Semi-rose type; late midseason. Apple blossom pink with each petal silver tipped. Very fragrant.	
<b>THERESE</b>	<b>\$3.50</b>
Rose type; midseason. Rich, satiny pink with glossy reflex.	
<b>VENUS</b>	<b>\$1.50</b>
Crown type; midseason. Tall, free bloomer. Extra fine for cut flowers. Pale hydrangea pink. Comes three flowers to a stem. Fragrant.	
<b>WALTER FAXON</b>	<b>\$7.00</b>
Semi-rose type; midseason. A very distinct, delicate, bright rose-colored flower. Tall grower; free bloomer.	
<b>WELCOME GUEST</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>
Semi-double type; midseason. Glossy silvery pink changing to rose white. Tall grower; free bloomer. Fragrant.	

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## IRIS

We can send you Iris Germanica, mixed varieties at 15 cents each; \$1.50 per dozen; \$10.00 per 100.

Write us for quotations on any named peonies or iris which you may desire. We can secure them for you at reasonable prices.

